

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5, 7-13 and 18 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1 and 18 are amended to recite features supported in the specification on page 14, line 20 – page 15, line 2; page 15, lines 11-18; and Figs. 3 and 9A. No new matter is added by any of these amendments.

Applicants appreciate the courtesies extended to Applicants' representative, Mr. Thielman, by Examiner Pokrzywa during the October 6, 2004 interview. In accordance with MPEP §713.04, the points discussed during the interview are incorporated in the remarks below and constitute Applicants' record of the interview.

Reconsideration based on the following remarks is respectfully requested.

I. Amendment Entry with Request for Continued Examination

Entry of this amendment is proper under 37 CFR §1.114 because this Submission is filed in conjunction with a Request for Continued Examination.

II. Claims 1-3, 5, 7-13 and 18 Define Patentable Subject Matter

The Final Office Action rejects claims 1-3, 5, 7-13 and 18 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent 6,559,979 to Ryan (hereinafter "Ryan"). As agreed during the personal interview, Ryan does not teach all of the features of Applicants' claims.

For example, Ryan does not teach or suggest a facsimile system including, at least, instruction means including retrieval command means to enable an operator to command retrieving the data of addressee identification information from the computer to the facsimile machine, and registration command means to enable the operator to command registering the data of addressee identification information, as recited in claim 1, and as similarly recited for circuits in claim 18. Thus, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the §102 rejection.

For at least these reasons, Applicants respectfully assert that the independent claims

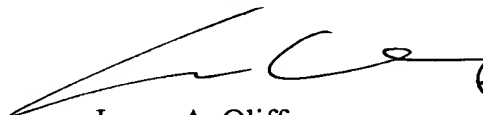
are now patentable over the applied reference. The dependent claims are likewise patentable over the applied references reference for at least the reasons discussed as well as for the additional features they recite. Consequently, all the claims are in condition for allowance. Thus, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102 be withdrawn.

III. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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